



## Lamoine Board of Selectmen Minutes of May 4, 2006

Chairman Jo Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Present were: Selectmen Brett Jones, Cynthia Donaldson, Richard Fennelly Jr., Perry Fowler, S. Josephine Cooper; Administrative Assistant Stuart Marckoon, Harbor Master Gerald Ford, Michael Jordan, Jenna Shorey (Ellsworth American), Assistant Town Clerk Kathleen DeFusco, Planning Board Secretary Michael Garrett, Richard Sprague, Parks Committee members William Fennelly, Thomas Barr, Kerry Galeaz, Christa Brey, Steve Valleau, Bonnie Moretto; Julie Herrick, David Herrick Sr., Carlton Johnson, Cory Cirard, Russell Boynton Jr., Appeals Board Member John Wuorinen, Conservation Commission Member Carol Korty, and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Jennifer Kovacs

**Agenda Review** – Selectmen agreed to move the bid opening item to after the discussion with the Parks Commission. Jo said she would like to adjust future meeting dates.

**Minutes of April 20, 2006.** – Cynthia added that she would like to see a line to reflect that Marion McFarland offered ice cream for the volunteer night. Richard said he had several minor corrections. Perry moved to approve the minutes with the corrections. Richard 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 5-0.**

**Appeal of Harbor Master's Decision** – Jo read a letter from Harbor Master Gerald Ford requesting that any decision be delayed until after June 1<sup>st</sup>, as several mooring spots might open up after May 15<sup>th</sup> and Mr. Sprague could end up with a mooring. Jo said that made sense to her. Brett asked if anyone has called those people who don't have any physical moorings in the harbor to see if they want to turn them in. Jo said the matter would be tabled until the first meeting in June.

**Parks Commission Meeting re: summer maintenance** – Selectmen reviewed a written offer from Russell Boynton Jr. in regard to changes to the trash pickup and bathroom cleaning. Jo asked if two pickups a week are necessary. Kerry Galeaz said if there was a special event that generated trash, it would be needed. A short discussion followed on policing the trash area. Mr. Boynton said he's willing to do that. Jo asked if \$14/week was OK with Mr. Boynton. She read the description of what was expected of the toilet cleaning and trash pickup. Jo asked if that was written up for Mr. Boynton, would that be OK. Mr. Boynton said it was. Selectmen said everyone seems to be on the same page now. Jo moved to accept the parks commission proposal for work by Russell Boynton Jr., Perry 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 5-0.** The Selectmen thanked the parks commission for their work on this and many other matters.

**Roofing Bids** – Selectmen opened the following bids received prior to the deadline of earlier in the day and read them aloud as follows:

Bidder	Amount
Harville Roofing, Skowhegan	\$15,460
Maine Coast Roofing Company, Mt. Desert	\$12,900
Michael Jordan, Lamoine	\$13,800
Michael Jordan, Lamoine – alternate specs	\$16,800
Sinclair Builders, Ellsworth	\$19,500
New Vision Builders, Surry	\$12,999
PCS Specialty, Skowhegan	\$16,800

Discussion about the alternate bid from Mr. Jordan followed. Mr. Jordan explained that the alternate bid would include complete ice and water shield instead of the felt for the roof. Richard said the bids are pretty tight. Jo said she had a prejudice to award a bid locally if it's financially feasible. She said Mr. Jordan does good quality work.

Stu asked if others had provided references. Richard said Maine Coast Roofing had. Stu said town meeting still needs to approve funding. Richard asked if there was any policy requiring the Selectmen to accept low bids. Stu said the ad stated the Selectmen had the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Richard said the danger in offering it to a higher but local bidder is discouraging others from bidding in the future. Brett said he would like to keep it local, and Mr. Jordan's bid should be considered. Richard said it has to go to the town, and the options for presenting it to town meeting were discussed.

Jo said she is more comfortable knowing the quality of someone's work and keeping the business in Lamoine if it's feasible. Richard said if the Selectmen opt to recommend Mr. Jordan's bid, two lower bidders would have to be told the town is taking the higher bid. Cynthia said she's not sure references should be considered since the ad did not ask for them.

Perry said for \$3,000 more, the life of the roof could be extended by 20-years. A short discussion on the future of the building followed. Richard said with only a \$900 difference, he would suggest that the Selectmen recommend that the job be awarded to Mr. Jordan, and explain that to lower bidders. Jo asked if the town meeting could be offered the option.

**Perry moved to recommend to town meeting \$13,800 for the Michael Jordan bid. Richard 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Jo asked about the life of the roof at that price. Mr. Jordan said it's the 30-year life offer. He explained the only difference between his two offers was the price of the ice and water shield. He said he has not used felt in 6-years. A short discussion followed on the merits of using felt vs. ice and water shield. Richard asked if Mr. Jordan received the bid, would he put on felt. Mr. Jordan said he would have to, financially. Jo asked what if the fire department were willing to kick in the extra \$3,000. Stu said the town meeting question would be worded to see what sum the town would appropriate for

the job. A short discussion of the question and presentation to town meeting followed.  
**Vote in favor was 5-0.**

**Tree Debris Removal Bid** – Two bids were received, opened and read as follows:

<b>Bidder</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Harald Huebner, Lamoine	\$18,000
David Crane, Lamoine	\$20,000

Jo said that was far more expensive than anticipated and she would like to table this until the town can come up with a different plan. Richard said he could see no downside to tabling. The Board opted to discuss this at the next meeting.

**Paving Estimate** – Perry asked what the difference in the bid is compared to the budgeted amount. Stu said approximately \$20,000. Perry asked about the area to pave. Stu said it would be on Seal Point Road from the intersection with Route 204 to just beyond Selectmen Jones' home where the rebuilt section starts. Stu said he would think the town could use \$10,000 from the road fund and \$10,000 from surplus (undesignated fund balance) with no trouble. A discussion on the funding options followed, as well as a discussion on the cost of oil. Jo said she said paving just part of Seal Point Road is not a good solution.

Selectmen set June 15, 2006 at 7:00 PM at the School as the open town meeting date.

**Gravel Inventory/Gott Contract** – Stu said Brett had asked for some information which he has provided. He said Richard brought up a discrepancy in the original contract wording regarding the amount of gravel. Richard explained the discrepancy in the totals in separate portions of the contract. Brett asked if any more information had come in from either Mr. Gott or Mr. Salsbury. Stu said it had not. Brett said he found the language in the contract regarding reclamation interesting.

John Wuorinen asked how much had been removed from the pit. Jo said that's not yet known. Brett and Richard said Steve Salsbury would do a survey and did an initial survey. Mr. Wuorinen asked if the town was interested in verifying the survey numbers. Jo said that was discussed last meeting.

**Get Wet Program** – Carol Korty said the school children will present what they did on the water monitoring project on Wednesday, May 17, 2006 at 7:00 PM at the School. Selectmen were encouraged to attend.

Cynthia left the meeting to attend to other matters.

**Resolve honoring Benjamin Rudolph – Eagle Scout** – Selectmen signed a certificate honoring Ben Rudolph. Stu said he would get the certificate to Cynthia for signature.

**Maine Readiness Campaign** – Stu said he read over the material, and it seemed to be geared to high schools, and Lamoine doesn't have one. Selectmen took no action.

**Household Hazardous Waste Program** – Stu said the Hancock County Planning Commission is holding a HHW pickup in Ellsworth in August. He said Lamoine had participated with the League of Towns in October in the past and that has worked well and recommended we stay with the League.

**Guaranteed Annual Tonnage Swap (GAT)** – Stu suggested that the town alter the amount of trash guaranteed to the PERC plant to 580-tons, down from 700. Jo moved to do so, Perry 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 4-0.**

**Joint Meeting with Planning Board** – Michael Garrett said the Planning Board had suggested either May 16<sup>th</sup> or June 15<sup>th</sup>. Stu noted the Selectmen just set June 15<sup>th</sup> as a special town meeting. Selectmen were OK with May 16<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Garrett asked what the agenda would be. Stu said much would be on procedure, and he would solicit agenda items from the Planning Board and Selectmen prior to setting the agenda next Tuesday. Mr. Wuorinen asked if the Appeals Board would be invited. Jo said any ordinance change discussion would be general in nature. Brett asked what topics Mr. Wuorinen had in mind. Mr. Wuorinen said Gravel operations. Brett asked if the topics were general or on the functioning of the Appeals Board. Mr. Wuorinen said he had general concerns. Stu said the meeting was more of a focus on discussing processes. A short discussion followed.

**Volunteer Recognition Night** – Stu reminded the Selectmen it was set for May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7PM. He said he put together a proposed program and Selectmen felt the program was fine as presented.

**Personnel Appointments-** Selectmen asked that this be on the next meeting agenda. Stu said he would check with those whose terms are up to see if they wish to be reappointed.

**Expenditure Warrant 22** – Stu said the warrant was a lot bigger than what the Selectmen got in their packets as the school warrant came in. He said he transferred \$190,000 to cover the bills. Selectmen signed warrant 22 for \$266,546.39.

**Other – Used Culverts** – Perry said his company had held onto some used metal culverts that belong to the town and wanted to know if they could be disposed of. Stu said he would favor that.

**Meeting Date** – Jo said the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting date presents a conflict. She asked if the Board could meet instead on June 15<sup>th</sup>. It was agreed to meet at the school at 6:30 PM prior to the special town meeting, recess if needed, and then resume after the town meeting.

The next regular meeting date will be May 25, 2006 at 7PM

**Executive Session** – Jo moved to enter an executive session pursuant to 1MRSA§405(6)(a) to discuss a personnel matter with the town clerk/tax collector. Perry 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 4-0 at 8:27 PM. Out at 9:05 PM**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Stu Marckoon, Adm. Asst.